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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

## OPTICAL PICKUP LENS, MOLDED OPTICAL COMPONENT, HANDLING METHOD, AND MOLD FOR OPTICAL COMPONENT

the specification of which

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(if applicable).

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